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AN ORDINANCE BY COUNCILMEMBERS LEE MORRIS

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AND CLAIR MULLER AS SUBSTITUTED BY PUBLIC SAFETY

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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE II, SECTION 10-209 TO ESTABLISH A NEW CLOSING TIME FOR THOSE ESTABLISHMENTS LICENSED TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta has an interest in maintaining the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its police powers, the City of Atlanta is authorized to enact legislation to regulate certain types of businesses and industries which could potentially affect the public health, safety and welfare, including businesses which involve the manufacture, distribution, or sale of alcoholic beverages; and

WHEREAS, there exists a serious public safety concern associated with many establishments which are licensed to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises and their failure to adequately monitor and supervise their premises and parking lots utilized by their patrons, particularly after 2:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta's current regulations pertaining to the sale of alcoholic beverages authorizes establishments selling alcoholic beverages to sell such beverages up to 4:00 a.m. on the weekdays, 2:55 a.m. on Sundays and, depending on the type of license that has been issued to a particular establishment, up to 12:00 midnight on Sundays; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta believes that to best serve the interest of the public safety and general welfare of its citizens and visitors, it is necessary to change the time at which establishments licensed to sell alcoholic beverages must cease the sale of alcoholic beverages;

NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA HEREBY ORDAINS as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. That Chapter 10, Article II, Section 10-209(c) of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to delete the current language and to insert in lieu thereof the following language so that said section reads as follows:

(c) Sale of wine or malt beverages for on-premises consumption. Except as otherwise provided by O.C.G.A § 3-3-7, all licensees in wine or malt beverages for consumption on the premises shall be authorized to engage in the sale of those wines or beverages on Monday through Saturday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. of one day and 2:00 a.m. of the following day. No sale of wine or malt beverages by the drink shall take place on Monday between the hours of 12:01 a.m. and 8:59 a.m. Wine and/or malt beverages may only be sold on Sundays in public stadiums, coliseums and auditoriums with a seating capacity in excess of 3,500 persons; in restaurants (as defined in Code § 10-1); and in special entertainment districts (as defined in Code § 10-211); and such sales shall only occur between the hours of 12:30 p.m. and 12:00 midnight in such establishments. Notwithstanding this subsection, a licensed farm winery tasting room located within a special entertainment district may sell wine for onpremises consumption on Sundays from 12:30 p.m. until 12:00 midnight, as permitted by O.C.G.A. § 3-6-21.2. Wine and/or malt beverages may also be served on Sunday in conjunction with the issuance of an outdoor festival permit pursuant to Code § 138-204 and/or a special event permit pursuant to Code § 10-8. This section shall not apply to those establishments licensed to sell alcohol as a private club as defined in Code § 10-1.

Section 2. That Chapter 10, Article II, Section 10-209(d) of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to delete the current language and to insert in lieu thereof the following language so that said section reads as follows:

(d) Sale of distilled spirits by the drink or for on-premises consumption. Except as otherwise provided by O.C.G.A § 3-3-7, all licensees for the sale of distilled spirits by the drink or for the operation of a bottle house on the premises shall be authorized to engage in the sale of those distilled spirits on Monday through Saturday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. of one day and 2:00 a.m. of the following day. No sale of distilled spirits by the drink shall take place on Monday between the hours of 12:01 a.m. and 8:59 a.m. Distilled spirits by the drink may only be sold on Sundays in public stadiums, coliseums and auditoriums with a seating capacity in excess of 3,500 persons; in restaurants (as defined in Code § 10-1); and in special entertainment districts (as defined in Code § 10-211); and such sales shall only occur between the hours of 12:30 p.m. and 12:00 midnight in such establishments. Distilled spirits may also be served on Sunday in conjunction with the issuance of an outdoor festival permit pursuant to Code § 138-204 and/or a special event permit pursuant to Code § 10-8. This section shall not apply to those establishments licensed to sell alcohol as a private club as defined in Code § 10-1.

Section 3. The effective date of this ordinance shall be January 1, 2001.

<u>Section 4</u>. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

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